

Child Care Providers

REFERENCE	Section 39-1118, Idaho Code: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Rules, IDAPA 16, Title 02, Chapter 11 "Immunization Requirements for Children Attending Licensed Day Care Facilities in Idaho."							
WHY CHILDREN NEED SHOTS	The Idaho Child Care Immunization Law requires that children be up-to-date on their immunizations (shots) to attend Child Care. Diseases like measles and whooping cough spread quickly, so children need to be protected before they enter. Most children need booster shots before starting kindergarten.							
INSTRUCTIONS	Parents must present their child's Immunization Record within fourteen (14) days of a child's initial attendance. Copy the full date (MM/DD/YYYY) of each shot onto the Idaho Child Care Health Form and then determine if the child is up to date. Health Forms are available through the Idaho Immunization Program. As the child care provider, it is your responsibility to follow up regularly until all required shots have been received.							
IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS	Age	Doses (Shots) Required All doses must meet the minimum age and interval					Recommended	
		DTaP	Polio	MMR	Hib	Hepatitis B	Varicella	Hepatitis A
	2-4 months	1	1		1	1		
	4-5 months	2	2		2	2		
	6-11 months	3	2		2	3		
	12-14 months	3	3	1	3	3	1	
	15 months – 2 Years	4	3	1	3	3	1	
	2-4 Years	4	3	1	3	3	1	2
	4-6 Years	5	4*	2	3	3	1	2
	Note: Chickenpox (Varicella), and Hepatitis A vaccinations are recommended for all children. A booster dose of Td for all students aged 11-18 is strongly encouraged. To protect students and prevent outbreaks, child care providers should promote these additional immunizations whenever possible. * Only 3 doses are required, 4 doses are recommended.							
MINIMUM AGE AND INTERVAL BETWEEN DOSES (ACCELERATED SCHEDULE)	Children up to 7 years							
	Dose One (Minimum Age)	Dose One to Dose Two		Dose Two to Dose Three		Dose Three to Dose Four	Dose Four to Dose Five	
	DTaP (6 wks)	4 weeks		4 weeks		6 months	6 months	
	IPV (6 wks)	4 weeks		4 weeks		4 weeks		
	MMR (12 months)	4 weeks						
	Hepatitis B (birth)	4 weeks		8 weeks (and 16 weeks after 1 st dose)				
	Varicella (12 months)							
	Hepatitis A (2 years)	6 months						
	Children age 7-18							
	Td	4 weeks		6 months		6 months: if 1 st dose given at age <11 yrs 5 years: if 1 st dose give at age ≥12 mos and 3 rd dose given at age < 7 yrs and current age ≥ 11yrs 10 Years: if 3 rd dose given at age ≥ 7 yrs		
	IPV	4 weeks		4 weeks		4 weeks		
	Hepatitis B	4 weeks		8 weeks (and 16 weeks after 1 st dose)				
	MMR	4 weeks						
	Varicella	4 weeks		Give 2-dose series to all susceptible adolescents age ≥ 13 years				
	Hepatitis A	6 months						
EXEMPTIONS	Idaho law allows a parent/guardian to claim exemption from immunization requirements for their child based on religious or personal beliefs. A medical exemption will be granted for those children who present a letter from their physician stating that the child has a medical condition preventing them from receiving required vaccinations. The law does not allow parents/guardians to claim an exemption because the shot record is lost or incomplete, or because it is too much trouble to contact the physician or clinic and obtain a copy. For children with an exemption, a signed exemption form (available through the State Immunization Program) or physician letter must be on file for the child. (Section 39-4802, Idaho Code)							